

**REPORT TO:** NEIGHBOURHOOD RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE –  
17 APRIL 2000

**REPORT ON:** COMMUNITY SAFETY CHALLENGE COMPETITION 2000/2001 – MAKE  
OUR COMMUNITIES SAFER

**REPORT BY:** DIRECTOR NEIGHBOURHOOD RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT

**REPORT NO:** 283-2000

## **1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1.1 The purpose of this Report is to advise the Council on the success of the external Challenge Funding Bid for resources to support the “Dundee Repeat and Initial Victimisation Effort” part of the Home Security element of the Dundee Community Safety Partnership.

## **2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that the Committee:

- 2.1 note the success of the Partnership Bid.
- 2.2 accept the grant.
- 2.3 approve the extension of services by the Home Security Trust to areas outwith the Social Inclusion Programme designated areas.

## **3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

3.1 The extension services will be funded from grant support of £90,000 from the Scottish Executive Crime Prevention Unit during the financial year 2000/2001.

## **4.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 The additional funds will contribute to the achievement of the goals of self-sustaining, secure and healthy communities.

## **5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS**

5.1 The recommendations will target victims of crime and pro-actively offer preventative security solutions to vulnerable groups within communities.

## **6.0 BACKGROUND**

6.1 The Scottish Executive invited bids for community safety programmes under the “Make Our Communities Safer” Challenge Competition 2000/2001.

6.2 A bid compiled by the local Community Safety Partnership; Home Security Trust involving the Council, Victim Support Dundee, Tayside Police (Dundee Division), The Claverhouse Group and representatives of local Community Safety Groups submitted a funding bid “DRIVE” to match funding currently available through the Social Inclusion Programme, existing Council funds and the Claverhouse Group at a total value of £90,000.

6.3 The bid included provisions to enlarge the target areas for Trust services and to develop additional pro-active security services which advance the central strategic themes of the Partnership’s Community Safety Programme for 2000/2002 approved in Report No 107/2000 by the Policy & Resources Committee on 14 February 2000.

## **7.0 CURRENT POSITION**

7.1 The Scottish Executive (Crime Prevention Unit) has confirmed an award of £90,000 subject to normal grant accounting conditions.

7.2 The offer of grant has been accepted subject to Committee approval.

**8.0 FUTURE ACTION**

8.1 The Partnership will consult relevant groups to develop programmes of activity which meet the criteria of the Home Security Trust and the funding conditions.

8.2 Existing publicity will be revised to target all areas of Dundee experiencing house breaking and additional programmes mounted to pro-actively increase preventative security services.

**9.0 CONSULTATION**

9.1 **Internal** – the Chief Executive, Directors of Finance, Housing and Support Services have been consulted in the content of this report.

9.2 **External** – Partnership members have been advised of the Scottish Executive’s Offer of Grant for “DRIVE”.

**10.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS**

10.1 The following background papers as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 were relied on to a material extent in preparing the above Report:

- Make Our Communities Safer Challenge Competition Application for Guidance Community Safety Projects.
- Dundee Repeat and Initial Victimisation Effort; Application for Funding.

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